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SIR:

It is respectfully requested that the art listed below be considered in the examination of the subject application and made of record therein. A copy of the art listed below is enclosed.

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discloses (FIG. 1) powered, folding ramp 10 for

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minivan wherein power unit 14 is above floor

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level;

It is respectfully submitted that the invention as described and claimed is not disclosed or suggested by the prior art listed above.

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